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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN THE APPLICATION OF

GEORGE WHITMYRE ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 09/338,058

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DOCKET NO.: WHITMYRE-1

EXAMINER: P. W. ECHOLS

ART UNIT: 3726

TITLE: PRODUCTION OF A CARIBBEAN STEEL PAN AND A  
CARIBBEAN STEEL PAN WITH DETACHABLE SKIRT

WILMINGTON, DE

DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2000

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Box AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 17, 2000, the entry of the following amendments to the above-identified application is respectfully requested:

Rewrite Claim 1 to read:

--1. (Amended) A process for forming a Caribbean steel pan consisting essentially of:

- (a) determining the shape and dimensions of a selected Caribbean steel pan or determining an average shape and dimensions of more than one selected Caribbean steel pan;
- (b) creating a compilation of topographic data of the shape and dimensions of the pan or pans;
- (c) using the resulting compilation to form a mold to substantially replicate the shape and dimensions of a single pan or the average shape and dimensions of more than one selected Caribbean steel pan [the surface of the selected steel pan or pans];
- (d) incorporating the mold into a hydroforming press;

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